



# CALIFORNIA BUILDING CODE (2006 IBC) PUBLIC PROPOSAL FORM

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IBC

If you have also submitted a separate coordination change to another I-Code, please indicate the code: \_\_\_\_\_  
(See back of this form for list of names and acronyms for the International Codes).

- 6) Revision to: ☐ Section \_\_\_\_\_ ☒ Table 503 ☐ Figure \_\_\_\_\_

- 7) PROPOSAL Please check appropriate box:

☒ Revise as follows: ☐ Add new text as follows ☐ Delete and substitute as follows: ☐ Delete without Substitution(s):

Show the proposed NEW, REVISED or DELETED TEXT in legislative format: ~~Line through text to be deleted.~~ Underline text to be added.

Revise Table 503 as follows for the Occupancy Groups indicated below:

- | Group | Revision   |
|-------|--|
| A-1   | Add a new Footnote e to each of the area limits for Types IIA, IIB, IIIA, IIIB, VA, and VB construction to read: e. This construction type shall not be permitted for buildings having an assembly room with a legitimate stage and an occupant load of 1,000 or more. |
| A-1   | Add a new Footnote f to each of the area limits for Types IIB, IIIB, and VB construction to read: f. This construction type shall not be permitted for buildings having an assembly room with a legitimate stage and an occupant load less than 1,000.                 |
| A-2   | Add a new Footnote g to each of the area limits for Types IIB, IIIB, and VB construction to read: g. This construction type shall not be permitted for buildings having an assembly room with an occupant load of 300 or more.   |
| A-3   |  |
| A-4   |  |
| H-1   | Delete the story and area limits for Types IIIA, IIIB, IV, and VA construction and substitute NP.  |

- I-1 Delete the story and area limits for Types IIB, IIIB, IV, and VB construction and substitute NP.
- I-2 Delete the story and area limits for Type IIB construction and substitute NP.
- I-2.1 Add to the same line as I-2.
- I-3 Delete the story and area limits for Types IIA, IIB, IIIA, IIIB, IV, VA, and VB construction and substitute NP.

☐ PROPOSAL *Continued* (Attach additional sheets as necessary)

8) **SUPPORTING INFORMATION (State purpose and reason, and provide substantiation to support proposed change):**  
 These proposed revisions will make the allowable types of construction for the various use groups indicated in the IBC comparable to that currently allowed in the California Building Code (CBC). To make it easier to compare Table 503 of the IBC to Table 5-B of the CBC the following occupancy comparisons can be used:

<u>CBC Occupancy</u>	<u>IBC Occupancy</u>
A-1	A-1
A-2	A-1
A-2.1	A-2, A-3, A-4
H-1	H-1
I-1.1	I-2
I-1.2	I-2.1
I-2	I-2 (I-1?)
I-3	I-3
R-2.1	I-1

The footnotes are necessary for Occupancy Groups A-1, A-2, and A-2.1 since they bridge the gap between the differences in the occupancy classifications for the Group A occupancies between the two codes based on how the CBC classifies Group A occupancies by occupancy load and whether there is a legitimate stage provided.

Basically, these occupancy groups for which certain types of construction have not been permitted by the CBC have a significant life safety issue either because they are assembly occupancies with large numbers of people at high densities or they are institutional type occupancies that house people who are generally incapable of self-preservation. There is one occupancy that is related to explosive materials which is an obvious hazard that should be limited in the types of construction where they are allowed.

The purpose of having the prohibited types of construction is to assure that a minimum degree of built-in passive fire-resistive protection and, in some cases, the restricted use of combustible materials will be assured for those occupancies housing these special risks to occupants. This enhanced degree of construction will provide additional factors of safety for the occupants to evacuate or be defended in place as appropriate, as well as for the fire department to effect rescue and defend in place where necessary. It also will provide additional protection for the fire fighters to conduct their rescue operations and their fire fighting in relative safety while utilizing most of their manpower to assure that the occupants have been evacuated and/or rescued or relocated as necessary.

☐ SUPPORTING INFORMATION *Continued* (Attach additional sheets as necessary)